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SECURITY INFORMATION 25X1 Albania REPORT COUNTRY Order of Battle 27 February 1953 DATE DISTR. SUBJECT Military Installations in Durres Area NO. OF PAGES Coastal Defense Boats 25X1 DATE OF INFO. REQUIREMENT NO. REFERENCES 25X1 PLACE ACQUIRED This is UNEVALUATED Information THE SOURCE EVALUATIONS IN THIS REPORT ARE DEFINITIVE. THE APPRAISAL OF CONTENT IS TENTATIVE. (FOR KEY SEE REVERSE) 25X1 1. The following artillery and machine gun emplacements are located in the Durres area: In Bishti i Palles there are four artillery pieces, two heavy machine guns, and antiaircraft machine guns. b. On the hills Tilaj and Beteraj there are four artillery pieces and four machine guns. c. On Hill near the village of Karpen there are two heavy machine guns. 25X1 d. On the hills Barush, Bize, Drac, and Shen Gjon there are four artillery pieces and six heavy machine guns. 2. The following barracks are located in Durres: The Marine Barracks, capacity 500 men, are located in Piaca e Marines. b. Barracks which can accommodate 400 men and which were occupied by the gendarmerie school are located in Lagjen Varosh. Barracks for 500 men are located on the Porta Romana road. d. Barracks for 500 men are located on the Curillave road. The former Royal barracks, now occupied by unidentified artillery battalion engaged in practice firing, are located on the beach in Durres. 3. The following fuel, ammunition, and supply warehouses are located in the Durres area: SECRET 91

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- a. A large underground depot of ammunition and fuel at Shkamb i Kavajes.
- b. An ammunition depot in Ura e Dajlanit.
- c. A depot of ammunition, arms, and other supplies at Rruga e Re, near Shkamb i Kavajes.
- d. An ammunition and food depot in the village of Pjeshkeze.
- e. A depot of food supplies and spare parts on the Rrashbulle-Shkozet road.
- f. An ammunition depot near Stamles.
- g. An important artillery ammunition depot surrounded by barbed wire at Shillora e Rrashbullit.
- 4. There are four boats for coastal defense stationed in Durres. They have a maximum speed of 35 miles per hour and are armed with a 25 mm gun and two heavy machine guns.

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